

TRIBUTE TO LAURA DOVE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I was surprised earlier today when I was told by David Schiappa and Gary Myrick that somebody I care about a great deal is going to leave the Senate. I am so surprised. I served here when her dad was the Parliamentarian and I thought so much of him. He was a very courageous man. He jeopardized his position here in the Senate doing what he thought was right. He looked at the law. It didn't matter to him if it were a Republican asking for a decision or a Democrat, he did what he thought was right. I have so much admiration for Bob Dove.

Then I have gotten to know his daughter Laura, whom we all care about a great deal. She is somebody I can joke with or be serious with. She understands what my obligation is here as the majority leader and she doesn't hold it against me. She knows I am trying to do what I think is right.

She has been dedicated to making the Senate a better place during her 10 years as the assistant Republican secretary. This is her last week with us so, for me, since we are going to go out of session, this is her last day with us. She is an example of how this operation works.

Mr. President, I read through this stack of stuff very quickly. Could I have arranged all that myself? No. It is the Laura Doves of the Senate who allow us to get our work done. She was a page, just like these young boys and girls here, as a teenager. She may work for the other party but, as far as I am concerned, I never hesitated to ask her a question when somebody on this side wasn't available and she never hesitated to tell me what she thought or give me the information I was seeking. Her work is essential and she has done it with dedication.

Laura, I really have appreciated our relationship. Please give my warm regards to your very fine father. I have heard a little about what you are going to do in the next little bit. I hope as you have that motor home and come to Las Vegas, hopefully this summer, you will come to Searchlight, because that will be a place you have never been—I am sure of that. What could I do with you there, though? I could show you my home.

Anyway, I am so grateful to you for being the nice person you are.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 2,
TO MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn and convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business conducted on the following dates. The reason we are going through this pro forma session which we thought we were through with is the House has not acted yet on agreeing to what we have done. But it is very clear there will be no recess ap-

pointments, period, because we are not going to be in recess, we hope. We hope the House will go along with us. But that is what Senator McConnell and I have worked for and it has been accomplished.

So I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn and convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business conducted, on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Monday, April 2, at 2 p.m.; Thursday, April 5, at 11 a.m.; Monday, April 9, at 10 a.m.; Thursday, April 12, at 2 p.m.; and that the Senate adjourn on Thursday, April 12, until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, unless the Senate has received a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 38—which will be the adjournment resolution—and if the Senate has received such a message, the Senate will stand in adjournment until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 38; further, that when the Senate convenes at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; further, following any leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2230, the Paying a Fair Share Act, with the time until 4:30 p.m. equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees; and that at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, there will be two rollcall votes then, on Monday, April 16. The first vote will be on Judge-to-be Thacker, we hope—that will be the fourth circuit—and the second vote will be a cloture vote on the motion to proceed to the tax measure that is on the calendar.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,
APRIL 2, 2012, AT 2 P.M.

Mr. REID. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent it adjourn under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 2, unless the Senate has received a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 38, in which case the Senate will stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 38.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 6:26 p.m., adjourned until Monday, April 2, 2012, at 2 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PATRICK A. MILES, JR., OF MICHIGAN, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MARGARET M. CHIARA, RESIGNED.

DANNY CHAPPELLE WILLIAMS, SR., OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE DAVID E. O'MEILIA, TERM EXPIRED.

PATRICK J. WILKERSON, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN WILLIAM LOYD, TERM EXPIRED.

AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A DIRECTOR OF THE AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS. (NEW POSITION)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PATRICIA K. FALCONE, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY, VICE PHILIP E. COYLE, III.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOUGLAS M. GRIFFITHS, OF TEXAS, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE
HUMANITIES

MARIA ROSARIO JACKSON, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 3, 2016, VICE TERENCE ALAN TEACHOUT, TERM EXPIRED.

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations by unanimous consent and the nominations were confirmed:

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF VICE ADM. JOHN P. CURRIER, TO BE VICE ADMIRAL.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF REAR ADM. PAUL F. ZUKUNFT, TO BE VICE ADMIRAL.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF VICE ADM. MANSON K. BROWN, TO BE VICE ADMIRAL.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF REAR ADM. PETER V. NEFFENGER, TO BE VICE ADMIRAL.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH PATRICK K. ABOAGYE AND ENDING WITH WILLIAM F. CSISAR, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON FEBRUARY 1, 2012.

The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of the following nomination by unanimous consent and the nomination was confirmed:

CHRISTY L. ROMERO, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE TROUBLED ASSET RELIEF PROGRAM.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 29, 2012:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY
SERVICE

PHYLLIS NICHAMOFF SEGAL, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2013.

LISA M. QUIROZ, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING FEBRUARY 8, 2014.

MARGUERITE W. KONDRACK, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 10, 2014.

RICHARD CHRISTMAN, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2012.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

MARTIN J. GRUENBERG, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 27, 2018.